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Civil Defense

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1. There was no evidence to the casual observer of any civil defense measures. There was much evidence of troops moving about in Moscow and the drilling of youths in plain clothes by army officers. Inquiries about civil defense measures were hard to make, but when the subject was broached it produced looks of astonishment. [redacted] no civil defense preparations anywhere.

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Photographs

2. [redacted]
There appeared to be no objection to taking photographs in hospitals. Only selected views of the Kremlin could be taken, and no photographs were allowed of railroad stations, of the coastline from a boat on the Black Sea, or from any aircraft.

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School Children

3. At a coeducational school, the children were in uniform; the boys wore military kepis and sashes and the girls, smocks. The girls were apparently put into uniform some years ago, but the boys were directed to wear uniform about June 1954.
4. There were not many advertisements to be seen in the USSR. The few to be seen were phrases like "A book is the best present" and political slogans. Little flags with "Peace to all the world" were ubiquitous.

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Pay of Workers

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The basic pay of a worker is 800 rubles a month, of which four to five percent goes for rent and 20 percent for food. A foreman in a textile factory gets 900 rubles a month.

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small car costs 10,000 rubles.

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